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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: The 34th Annual National IMAGE Training Conference and Exposition

National IMAGE, Inc. will host its 34th Annual National Training Conference, exposition and military awards banquet, May 14-20, 2006, in Phoenix, Arizona. The mission of IMAGE, Inc. is to enhance the employment, education and civil rights of Hispanic Americans, and the theme for the 2006 conference is, "Education, Commitment, and Leadership: Making a Difference in our Nation." During the conference, the Department of Defense (DoD) will conduct a training forum and the United States Marine Corps will be the lead Agency providing support at the military awards banquet. The conference site is the Hyatt Regency Northwest, 122 N. 2d Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85003. Further information may be found by visiting www.nationalimageinc.org.

DoD military and civilian personnel involved in policies and programs affecting the recruitment, employment, and retention of Hispanics may participate. Supervisors may allow DoD personnel involved in policies and programs affecting employment and advancement of minorities and women to take advantage of this training conference. Examples of persons in these categories include military and civilian personnel specialists, equal opportunity advisors, equal employment opportunity specialists and managers, special emphasis program managers, and individuals in supervisory and managerial positions. Although the selection of attendees is at the discretion of the Components, please consider requests from Defense personnel who may lack programmatic responsibility, but might benefit from this career development and training opportunity.

Mr. Clarence A. Johnson, Principal Director and Director, Civilian Equal Opportunity is the DoD proponent for this action. Ms. Charmane Collins and Major Marvin Jordan are the staff officers for this activity. They may be reached at Charmane.Collins@osd.mil and Marvin.Jordan@osd.mil respectively, or by calling (703) 695-0105.

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